Journal of the History of Childhood and Youth Names New Editor

Journal of the History of Childhood and Youth has named Marquette University professor James Marten as its new editor. The journal is the official publication of the Society for the History of Childhood and Youth (SHCY).

Marten, Chair of the History Department at Marquette, takes over from a group of editors from the Five Colleges Editorial Collective, representing Amherst College, Hampshire College, Mount Holyoke College, Smith College and UMass Amherst.

“We have truly enjoyed the experience as editors and are delighted to pass this opportunity on to someone we all think will be terrific as the editor,” says Laura Lovett, from UMass Amherst, one of the editors.

The group of Lovett, Alice L. Hearst (Smith College), Susan A. Miller (Rutgers University) and Karen Sánchez-Eppler (Amherst College) currently serve as editors. The Five Colleges Editorial Collective has held the editor position since the journal’s first volume in 2008.

The Johns Hopkins University Press publishes the journal, which will publish its sixth volume in 2013 when Marten will begin his term as editor. The journal publishes issues in January, May and September.

Marten played a key role in the creation of SHCY, serving as Founding Secretary-Treasurer from the society’s formation in 2001 through 2011. He is currently Vice President/President-Elect. He is also the immediate past President of the Society of Civil War Historians.

“I’m very excited to take over this new role with a publication that is really the publication of record for one of the most dynamic and fastest growing fields in history,” he said. “I look forward to serving the Society and to helping scholars bring their research to print.”

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